



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of: **Ronald G. Haagenstad**

Examiner: **Thomas A. Beach.**

Serial No.: **09/659,382**

Group Art Unit: **3671**

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For: **TIERED TRENCHING BACKHOE SYSTEM**

Commissioner For Patents
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Dear Sir:

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

In response to the Office Action mailed July 2, 2003, and in view of the PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed herewith, please consider the following remarks and amendments.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIM:

As shown below, allowed claims 1 - 6 remain as originally filed. Claims 7 and 8 are cancelled without prejudice, and without any disclaimer of the subject matter therein, and new claims 9 - 12 have been added, all as shown below.